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ORANGEBURG, S. C., TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1908.

# **NULL AND VOID**

Calhoun County Election So Declared by Election Commission.

## GO TO STATE BOARD

The Board of Election Commissioners of Orangeburg County Unani and Void, Because Many Qualified Electors Were Not Allowed to Vote Drive.

The Board of Election Commissioners for County and State elec- said that for-several years he has tions of Orangeburg County de-suffered severely from insomnia, clared the late election to establish but it is not known whether this af-Calhoun County null and void on fected his mind sufficiently to cause The board, which him to commit suicide. last Thursday. is composed of Messrs. John S. Bowman, W. Brooks Fogle and T. J. that Henry had also suffered from Hart, all good and true men, was epileptic fits, and that it was during unanimous in their decision.

much testimony was taken. The ed in the court below. eommissioners took the case Wedcision, which was announced at two o'clock Thursday.

Commissioners are among our best short examination said that there people. Mr. Bowman is a member was no need for a doctor. The poof the Orangeburg Bar and both lice were notified and ordered that Messrs. Fogle and Hart are well-to- the body be kept in the court until do farmers. Mr. Hart lives in the the Coroner took action. lower section of the county near the Berkely line and Mr. Fogle lives in pied it was found that for two County and is said to favor the new This little volume set forth, day by

missioners, which is signed by every sioners. It has been filed with the Clerk of Court who will forward it immediately to Governor Ansel:

"We find some irregularities in side of right precincts, not demand window. ing proper proof of payment of

or more qualified electors residing clanged up, some of them learned County of Calhoun, including por- however. tions of Orange, Goodbys and Pop-Tar townships, were deprived of the constitutional right to vote in this election, as the said electors are residents of the proposed new county, while their voting places are without; and the Act of the Legislature relating to the formation of new experiment stations of Louisiana, counties does not provide the means has issued an appeal to the people of or the opportunity to vote in such the Southern States to use their in-

"We, therefore, find that in depriving these qualified voters of the liberal appropriation from Congress right to vote the constitutional pro vision has been violated, and on this ground we do hereby declare this election null and void."

All questions of fact were decided in favor of the new county, the one point upon which the election was declared null and void being the authorities places the annual loss to disfranchisment of voters within the new county lines whose precincts were outside, thereby depriving them of xercising their right of suffrage. Chairman Bowman stated that the

board was of the opinion that the Act passed by the Legislature governing the formation of new counties was unsconstitutional · in that it made no provision for those electors who were seperated from their pre cincts to cast their ballots on questions in which they were directly interested, as guaranteed under the

It will be noticed that the Board of McElven and Hudson and Boykin of Commissioners sustains the contention of the Orangeburg Times and fire. Thirty-two head of horses and Democrat that no white Democrat, whether for or against the new county, should be deprived of his right to vote on a matter that so vitally concerns him. The Times and Democrat has made a gallant fight for these disfranchised Democrats mentioned by the Board of Commison being sustained by the intelligent the flames. gentlemen composing it.

An appeal will be taken to the State Board of Elections by the promoters of the new county. However that Board may decide the matter, it will be taken to the State Supreme Court and possibly to the United States Supreme Court, as both sides are determined to have the matter United States circuit court, entered man. S. J. Troutman, J. D. Troutsettled once for all whether a man a decree Thursday naming S. Davies man, E. H. Dantzler, O. G. Dantzler, can be deprived of his right to vote Warfield of Baltimore and R. Lan- L. C. Ulmer, W. F. Dantzler, J. F. by an unconstitutional law passed by the Legislature.

When he learned of the decision of the Board of Commissioners Mr. Air Line railroad. Welch, attorney for the new county promoters, stated that the only sur system has considerable mileage prise was that the decision was unanimous, the new county promoters expecting to have at least one vote. He also said that a different story would be heard after the State board reviewed the case.

Col. D. O. Herbert and W. C. Wolfe Esq., who has fought manfully for the disfranchised Democrats are tion null and void.

## PLUNGES TO DEATH.

Rich Inventor in New York Falls Taken in the Calhoun County Elec-Seven Stories.

He Was Manufacturer of Moving Picture Machines and Was Prosperous.

Henry Miles, wealthy manufacturer of moving picture apparatus, in New York Thursday night met mously Declare Recent Election instant death when he plunged down seven stories to the rear of to Establish Calhoun County Null the Concord Hall Apartments, at the Northeast corner of One Hundred and Nineteenth street and Riverside

Miles lived with his brother, Herbert, on the seventh floor. It is

The man's brother said last night one of these that he in some manner The hearing of the case consumed plunged over the sill of the rear all of Tuesday and Wednesday, and window of the apartments, and land-

Miles was forty years old and unmesday night about 8 o'clock, after married. His fall was not witnessall the witnesses had been examined ed by any one except his brother. and carefully went over the testi- The body went straight down and mony and the many legal points in landed on the head, which crushed volved before arriving at their de- instantly. Death was instantaneous.

A surgeon was called from J. The members of the Board of Hood Wright Hospital and after a

In the room which the man occuthe proposed territory of Calhoun months he had been keeping a diary. day, and sometimes hour by hour, The following is the full text of the inventor's mental and physical the decision of the Board of Com- condition, the number of times he had suffered severely form the mamember of the Board of Commis- lady and other facts in connection with his daily life.

The last entry in this diary was marked down at 12.12 p. m. Wednesday. t was at 10:30 according several boxes, such as voting out- to the brother, that he fell from the

None of the tenants were given taxes, etc., but we find that there knowledge of the tragedy Wednesof enough of such irregulari- day night, it being feared that many ties to change the result of this elec- might spend the remainder of the evening elsewhere. But when the "We further find that about 65 police arrived and the ambulance within the area of the proposed new of the affair. There was no panic

### THE CATTLE TICK.

The Pest Cause Great Loss to Southern Farmers.

Dr. Dodson, director of the Sta fluence with the United Statess Senators and Congressmen to secure a to aid the Southern States in fight-

ing the cattle tick. In the letter he says: "One of the most important problems confronting Southern aggriculture is eradicating of the cattle fever tick. A careful estimate by the Federal cattle in the infested Southern States at the enormous sum of \$40,-000,000.

"Sufficient work has already been done to demonstrate the feasibility of cleaning the infected territory of the parasite."

### FIRE AT LAMAR.

Thirty-Two Horses and Mules Burn-

ed to Death.

A dispatch from Lamar to the Columbia Record says Wednesday night at 9 o'clock the livery and sale stable and Rogers were totally destroyed by mules, alsc 30 buggies and a num ber of wagons belonging to McElven were burned. Boykin and Rogers'

thought to be heavy. At one time it was thought that a number of dwelling houses would also be burned, but the heroic work sioners, and it naturally feels elated of the citizens of the town checked

loss is not definitely known, but is

SEABOARD AIRLINE RAILWAY.

### Placed in the Hands of a Receiver Thursday.

A dispatch from Richmond, Va., says Judge Pritchard, judge of the R. Murphy, R. E. Wiles, W. O. Trout caster Williams of Richmond as re- Evans. A. D. Willes, Wm. Rickenceivers to take immediate possession of the property of the Seaboard The bond of each was fixed at \$50,000. This Yes sir. in South Carolina.

### WRECKED BY DYNAMITE.

A Tenement House in New York

Blown Up.

believed to have been set off by gratified that the county board has members of the Black Hand Sociesustained their contention, which ty, wrecked the entire lower floor was principally based on the point of a five-story tenement house on which was cited by the board as East Eleventh street Thursday their reason for declaring the elec- night and caused a panic among the people of the neighborhood.

tion Contest Case.

### SOME SPICY READING

Which Will Be Enjoyed by Our Readers, Who Are Urged to Read Every Line of the Testimony Below and Judge for Themselves as to the Merits of the Contests Now Going On.

Messrs. John S. Bowman, T. J. tion if you let the affidavits in. Hart and B. W. Fogle, Commission-County Board of Canvassers, met in did. this city on Tuesday morning and State of South Carolina, County of resumed the consideration of the Calhoun County Election, which it will be remembered was contested by Times and Democrat on December

Messrs. Bellinger & Welch, attorler, Geo. Fairey, O. H. Wienges, G. A makes no provision for the opening them. Baxter, R. J. Rucker, Gus Holman, of the polls at precincts outside of for themselves and others, denying the new county. strict proof thereof.

F. W. Frederick, the surveyor, who Evans, A. O. Wiles, Wm. Rickensurveyed the said lines, Col. Herbert baker, D. C. Allmen, H. I. Dantzler, lowing testimony to sustain the protest they had filed: The Distranchised Democrats.

tifies as follows: Q. Where do you live Mr. Smith?

A. In Goodbys township in Orangeburg County.

Q. You live in the portion that is cut off for the new county? A. Yes. Q. Are you familiar with the people who live in Goodbys township? A. I am sir.

Q. Are you a registered elector? Where is your voting precine

A. At Dantzler's Mill. It is outside.

Q. Take the male citizens within the proposed new county, how many Cribb, J. H. Hipp, D. F. Haigler, D. male citizens qualified to vote? Ob- B. Bookhardt, H. I. Shumaker, E. jection. Bring the gentlemen here and let them testify.

Col. Herbert: The books are in can certainly state.

Mr. Welch: Let the record speak for itself. Q. Do you know the male citizens

who live within the lines of Goodbys township? A. Yes sir. Q. State the number of those men?

A Objection Irrelevant. Q. Have you canvassed the voters in that part of the county? A. Yes

Q. Were you one of those who went to Cameron to vote? A. Yes sir. Q. Were you allowed to vote? A

No sir. Q. Why was that? A. That was because I lived in Goodbys.

Q. Was there any voting place open in Goodbys? A. No sir. Q. How many voting places are

there in Goodbys? A. Only one sir, Dantzler's Mill. Q. How many male residents re-

side in that portion of Goodbys township that is cut off for the new county? A. There are sixty odd. Q. Can you name some of them: A. Yes sir.

Q. Look at this paper and tell me some of those people within the proposed new county? A. E. J. Rickenbaker, W. S. Rickenbaker, F. J. Felkel, Odie Felkel, Walter B. Fel-A. R. Parler, J. E. Jourdain, J. A Troutman, M. C. Bair, N. B. Arant, C. W. Felder, G. S. Hungerpeler, W. A. Hoffman, S. B. Stoudenmire, F.

baker, and Col. Herbert: That will do. Q. Are you a Notary Public? A.

Q. Did you take the names of all the parties whose names appeared here? A. Yes sir, I did. Col Herbert read affidavit and of

fered it in evidence. Q. Did you swear all these people to this paper? A Yes sir.

Q. You know the people that sign-At New York a dynamite bomb, ed this paper? A. Yes sir. Q. Have all these people sworn before you that they were qualified

electors? A. Yes sir. Q. They all swore to what is on this paper? A. Yes sir. Objection by Mr. Welch sustained by the commissioners.

Col. Herbert We will put the paper in then as a list of parties identified by Mr. Smith as parties living in this township.

Mr. Welch: I have no objection

to that. Col. Herbert. We have the books was forty-nine out of fifty opposed to of registration here showing the reg- it. istered voters, the book for Dantzler's Mill, has not been introduced if the witness knows these men and knows they are registered voters he can state that fact.

Mr. Welch objected, contending State of South Carolina. that the books and registration cretificates are the best evidence.

After argument pro and con, Mr. Bowman ruled: Mr. Welch, I will sustain your position, but I will allow the affidavits to come in. I will allow the affidavits in for what they are worth. Mr. Smith cannot go into Carolina. A. Yes sir I am. details but I will allow the affidavits

to be introduced. Mr. Welch: Does your Honor think that you have, sustained my posi-

Q. Look at that affidavit, Mr. ers of County and State Elections Smith, and see if you swore those in the proposed new county. for Orangeburg County, acting as a people to that paper? A. Yes sir I

Names of Those Disfranchised.

Orangeburg. Personally appeared before me the undersigned, who on oath say that Messrs. A. B. Parler, A. C. Smith, S. they are residents of Goodbys town-J. Smith and others, because they ship, in Orangeburg County, in the were not allowed to vote in the new said state and that they are also res- am. county election although residents idents within the territory of the of the territory embraced within the proposed new county of Calhoun, lines of the proposed new county and they and each of them have regisother irregularities. The full text tration certificates, to vote at Danof this protest was published in The tzler's Mill, and are qualified electors, if there are any in the said county and would have voted against the formation of the said new county neys for the new county advocates, had they not been disfranchised by filed an answer to the protest in the their voting place, Dantzler's Mill, name of W. T. C. Bates, T. A. Ama- being cut out side of the proposed ker, J. S. Wannamaker, M. D. Kel- new county, and the law, which

each and every allegation and state- Signed: E. J. Rickenbaker, W. S. ment contained in the protest filed Rickenbaker, F. J. Felkel, Odie Felfor A. B. Parler, A. C. Smith, S. J. kel, Walter B. Felkel, Willie D. Fel-Smith and others by Col. D. O. Her- Kel, A. C. Felkkel, A. R. Parler, J. bert and W. C. Wolfe, Esq., their C. Jourdain, J. A. Troutman, F. C. legal representatives, and demanding Bair, M. B. Arant, C. W. Felder, G. S. Hungerpeler, W. A. Huffman, S. After establishing the lines of the B. Stoudenmire, F. R. Murphy, R. E. proposed County of Calhoun by Mr. Wiles, S. O. Troutman, J. D. Trout-J. Stokes Sailey, one of the commis- man, F. H. Dantzler, O. G. Dantzler, sioners to lay off said lines, and Mr. L. C. Ulmer, W. F. Dantzler, J. F. and Mr. Wolfe introduced the fol- O. G. Evans, Frank M. Dantzler, Shuler D. Houck, W. D. Houck, M. E. Rickenbaker, A. C. Smith, H. C. Smith, C. V. Felkel, T. W. Ricken-S. J. Smith being duly sworn tes- baker, J. L. Haigler, D. A. Dantzler, John Haigler and S. J. Trout-

Sworn to before me this the 21st day of December, 1907. S. J. Smith

(L. S.) Notary Public, S. C. Q. Did you swear these people to this paper here? A. Yes sir. Four other affidavits like the above

taken by Mr. S. J. Smith as Notary Public were submitted in evidence. The first was signed by Mr. W. C Stoudenmire, T. E. Jourdain and M. Q. Is that inside the lines of the C. Murphy, and the second was signproposed new county or outside? A. ed G. W. Smith, and the third by R. C. Irick, C. W. Polin, T. L. Polin, R. J. Browning, H. W. Sailait, J. F. F. Irick, W. H. Bookhardt, and the fourth by L. F. Jones, T. F. Hoffman, S. J. Smith, L. F. Rickenbaker, evidence and if Mr. Smith knows he W. R. Huffman, Eli Jackson. These men all swore that they were qualified to vote but couldn't do so because their polling precinct was outside the territory of the proposed Calhoun County.

The following affidavit was then introduced: State of South Carolina, County of

Orangeburg. Personally appeared before me the undersigned Notary Public, the undersigned persons who on oath say that they are residents of the territory of the proposed new County of Calhoun, that they would have registered as they are entitled to do and would have voted against the formation of the said new county, had they had an opportunity to do so, but that the Supervisors of Reg-

istration failed to open their Bocks sir. of Registration at the town of Elloree or Cameron in the year, 1907. and that they were thereby denied position that could not vote? A the priviledge and opportunity, of Yes sir. registering as conficed by law.

Sworn to before me this 21st day of December, 1907.

S. J. Smith, (L. S.) Notacy Public, S. C.

Signed: B. E. Cuttino, S. J. Cherry, O. W. Strock, M. I. Strock, N. Brown, D. S. Wiles, John P. kel, Willie D. Felkel, A. C. Felkel, Wiles, A. H. Rickenbaker, G. W. A. Yes. Smith, Jake Clemons, S. J. Rickenbaker, Jas. P. Dantzler, W. W. King were there in your condition? A I him? A. Yes sir, he has probably and W. F. Bookhardt.

Q. Tell us whether or not you know those people who signed those papers? A. Yes sir I do. Q. Where do they live? A. They

Q. As those lines were run down thews. there were there any considerable number of voters in Goodbys that could not vote? A. Yes sir there

were. Q. Was it a large or small number? A. A large number sir. Q. Do those affidavits cover all of

the voters? A. No sir. Q. Could you estimate about how many were outside of those named that were introduced, were they in the affadavits? A. Yes sir there white or colored? A. They were all

were some seven or eight.

Q. That was in Goodbys township? A. Yes sir, in Goodbys. Q. Can' you tell be about Poplar. w as any one deprived of the right to but I think so.

vote there? A. Yes sir there was. Q. About how many? A. There was davits? A. No sir. about a dozen.

Q. Do you object to telling how you stood on this question? A. I down there? A. Yes sir but they was opposed to the new County, sir. did not allow them to vote. Q. Will you state how the people generally down in Goodbys stood?

A. They were opposed to it, there

Q. What do you mean by that, state if nearly all of them were opposed to it? A. Yes sir they were. Q. What county and state do you reside in? County of Orangeburg,

Q. Tell the Court whether or not you are a citizen of the United States? A. Yes sir, I am. Q. Are you a tax payer of this

county? A. Yes sir, I am. Q. State whether you are a citizen of Orangeburg County and of South

Q. State whether the voting place of. at which you registered to vote was in the proposed new county? A. No the day of the election? A. No sir sir it was not. Q. Do you live in the proposed new

County? A. Yes sir, I do live with-Over One Hundred Disfranchised. W. D. Houck being duly sworn

testifies as follows: Q. Where do you live Mr. Houck? A. In Orangeburg County. Q. What township do you live in?

A. Goodbys. Q. State whether you are a qualified elector or not? A. Yes sir I

Q. You live inside the lines of the proposed new county? A. Yes sir.

Q. Where were you registered to vote? A. At Dantzler's Mill. Q. Were you able to vote at the recent election? A. No sir.

Q. Do you mind telling how you Not that I know of sir. would have voted? A. Yes sir, I would have voted against the new not open any place there, you did son to read a letter for her. She Q. You know the voters who live

Q. Were there any considerable tunity. number of, them who were deprived

of voting in the recent election? A. They did not any of them vote. Q. What would that number

thing over a hundred I think. Cross examination by Mr. Welch. Q. What township are you in? A.

n Goodbys. Q. How many voters were there vote? A. There was a good large number somewhere about a hundred. Yes sir, we had both kinds there. Q. That could not vote? 'A. Yes

Q. Have you got a list of those names? A. No sir. Q. There are a hundred in that one township? A. Yes sir I think so.

Q. What township is that? A. That is Goodbys. Q. Do you know of your own knowledge that there are a hundred voters on those books? A. I don't cates and the payment of taxes. think there are but eighty odd, that

is what I have heard, I did not count them. Q. You did not count them? A. No sir.

on the books that could vote? A. I list. don't know that positively sir. Q. When you say that there were 80 on the books that could vote that is merely heresay? A. Yes sir.

Q. When you said that there were over a hundred voters there you meant to include those who had not A. If they were I did not know it. registered? A. Yes sir all of them. Q. How about in Poplar township? I don't know so much about that.

Not Allowed to Vote. A. R. Parler being duly sworn tes

tifies as follows: Q. State whether you are a citizen of the United States, of South Carolina, and of Orangeburg County Mr. Parler? A. Yes sir I am.

O. What township do you live in? A. Goodbys. O. Are you within the lines of the proposed new County? A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you register to vote? A. Yes sir. Q. You paid your taxes? A. Yes

Q. Where do you regularly vote? A. At Dantzler's Mill.

Q. Is that in the new County or outside? A. That is outside. Q. Were you able to vote at the election on the new County? A. No

Q. You know the voters of Goodbys, were there any others in your working for Mr. Wimberly.

Cross Examination by Mr. Welch. Q. You were on the inside of the new County? A. Yes sir. O. And on account of your box be

ing on the outside you could not vote? A. That is right sir. Q. If you had voted you would have voted against the new County?

Q. How many registered voters guess there were about seventy, if we had taken the darkies like they

had a hundred. Q. What places do you refer to lived in Goodbys most of them, but that darkies were used? A. I heard know him. there are a few that lived in Lyons. that there were a few at St. Mat-

did in other places we would have

Q. How many were there at Advance? A. I don't know sir. Q. Don't you know that at Advance about thrity colored folks vot-

ed and voted against the new County? A. No sir I don't know that sir. Redirect examination by Mr. Wolfe, A. Yes sir. Q. You know something of the names that we had on those papers A. That is right sir.

white, none colored. Elloree that were inside those lines town. and not registered. A. I don't know

Q. And you say that there were no colored folks who singed these affaQ. There are no colored folks

They Were Shut Out. A. C. Smith being duly sworn tes tifies as follows:

Q. You are a citizen of the United States and of South Carolina and of Orangeburg County and a tax payer are you? A. Yes sir I am.

Q. You are a registered elector? A

Yes sir at Dantzlers Mill. Q. What township is that in? A That is in Goodbys sir.

Q. Do you live in or out of the proposed new County? A. Inside sir Q. Did you have an opportunity to vote at the last election? A. No sir Q. Because your voting place was outside of the County? A. Yes sir Q. Was there any election held at Dantzlers Mill? A. None that I know

Q. Did you go to Dantzlers Mill Q. Maybe there was a box open there? A. I did not go there.

Q. What township are you from? A. Goodbys. Q. Where do you live? A. About

five miles west of Elloree. Q. Was there any place open within the lines of the new County where you could vote? A. No sir, none where they would allow me to vote. Q. Did you go to either of the oth-

er boxes? A. Yes sir to Cameron. Q. What did they say to you? A They did not say anything, I did not Henderson, on North Liberty street, get any further than the door, I with her little son on the evening there met my brother and two or three others who were turned down alarm, but the robber made his esand I did not go any further.

Q. Did you try to open a box at any place in Goodbys and vote? A.

Q. As a matter of fact they did not hear of it did you? A. No sir. Q. You would have heard it if they in Goodbys? A. .es sir, most of had and would have gone and voted? A. Yes sir if I had had the oppor-Voted Without Tax Receipts.

J. A. Merritt being duly sworn testifies as follows: Q. Do you live in St. Matthews amount to? A. It would be some- Mr. Merritt? A. Yes sir. Q. You were one of the managers

new County? A. Yes sir I was. and tell whether tickets like this

the polls at seven o'clock and I was the powers of heaven and earth at breakfast probably a half an hour and a half an hour at dinner, I was probably away for an hour altogether Q. What was the rule adopted by door.

the law as near as we could in the presentation of registration certifi-Q. Did any person vote on the presentation of tax receipts for 1907. A. I don't know about that, I was doing the writing and Mr. Loryea

examined the tax receipts and regis-Q. There are not more than eighty tration certificates, I wrote the poll Q. You did not see all the tax receipts? A. I saw the receipts but I did not look at the dates except a few when Mr. Loryea was at dinner. Q. You are prepared to say that

tax receipts for 1907 were not used? Q. You did not see any for 1907? A. No sir I did not.

Q. L. L. Chartrand is Lewis Char trand? A. Yes sir. Q. Do you know a gentleman there by the name of Vassey? A. Yes sir. Q. How long has he been living

there? A. He has been teaching up there for three or four years, his home is in Cherokee. Q. You say that he has been teaching there four or five years? A. Yes

sir, four or five years. Q. How about Mr. P. E. Barron, how long has he lived there? A. He has lived there since October, over a year I think sir. He has been

working Insurance. Q. How about E. H. Cousins? A He came there last fall some time hatcher with which the work was he has been there about a year. Q. Mr. H. G. Maloney? A. He came there from Rowesville, in July

probably. No sir, I know that he was there Q. How about C. E. Clay, does he

live in town? A Yes sir. Q. How long has he been there? A. He has been there two or three

vears. Q. D. H. Hungerpillar, does he live in town? A. Yes sir. Q. How long has he been there? A. He has not been in town but

about a year, he moved in from out of the country. Q. B. A. Bridges, do you know been there a year and a half.

Q. J. Q. Brandenburg? A. He has een living there for some time. Q. Has he been there a year? I don't know sir. Idid not hardly Q. He has been there about a

year? A. 1 dont know sir, I dont injured. know much about him, I have never seen him but a few times. Q. How about Lewis Carroll? A. I know J. L. Carroll, I dont know

him as Lewis Carroll. Q. Do you know Moseley Jones' Q. His initials are M. R. Jones?

Q. How about P. S. Zeigler? A.

Nancy? A. Yes sir.

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# **KNOCKED DOWN**

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And Robbed in His Store by a

A Spartanburg Merchant is Murderously Assaulted and His Cash Drawer Robbed by a Robber, Who Is Seen in the Store by a Woman and Child, but He Makes

The Spartanburg Herald of Wednesday tells of the murderous assault on Mr. Henderson, a merchant of that city, on Tuesday night of last week . The Herald says a negro robber at the money drawer and the proprietor lying on the floor of a back room in an unconscious condition, with several hatchet wounds in the head was what Mrs. Cora Lawrence saw when she entered the store of Mr. B. F. above mentioned. She spread the

All that is known of the robbery and assault is the story told by Mrs. Lawrence. She went to the store about 8 o'clock to get Mr. Hendercarried a small boy along with her. To her surprise she found a negro behind the counter. He had the money drawer out and helping himself to the loose silver.

Henderson was. He replied that he had stepped out and left him in charge till he came back. Mrs. Lawrence then stated that she would wait until he returned. The rob-

in your township that could not were furnished you and used at the struggling in the room to the rear election? (Yes tickets shown.) A. of the store room. She locked Q. Were you present all day at the on the floor. She said that she polls? A. No sir, you see we opened would go back to him, and that ail could not keep her from doing so. As she passed into the back room

him.

Mrs. Lawrence says that she would know the negro if she saw him again. He was a tall fellow with

rear of the store. He is a man of about fifty years of age. It is not known how much money was in the drawer. The policeman went to work on the case at once. A negro by the name of Wallace Williams, who fitted the discription of the robber given by Mrs. Lawrence, was arrested and taken before her, but she said that he was not the one,

ed, several years ago and came

done was found beside him.

Q. You are not sure of that? A. Many Deaths from Accidents During the Past Year.

the accidents of the year, states that 57,915 persons have been killed and injured in accidents during the year, 35,612 having been killed and 22, 307 injured.

Some of the larger items of the list are as follows: Eathquakes, landslides, etc., 21,-

512 killed and 3.092 injured. 086 killed and 2,721 injured.

Railroad wrecks, 811 killed and 2.639 injured. Automobile accidents, 229 killed

### in wrecks of vessels and 492 in other drownings.

A dispatch from Greenwood to The State says the only report of any Christmas fatalities in that county reached the city of Greenwood on Friday. According to this Carter, on G. M. Kinard's planta-One negro, Miles Moore, is expected. wounded may recover. All parties were drinking.

Negro Thief.

# WILL PROVE FATAL.

His Escape and is at Large.

She asked the negro where Mr.

at the election on the question of the ber replied that it was no use to do that, because it might be some Q. Will you examine this ticket time before Mr Henderson returned. Mrs. Lawrence heard some one back and saw Mr. Henderson lying

the negro hastened out of the front She found Mr. Henderson you as manager? A. We followed on the floor, writhing in his own blood, with several wounds in his head and the hatchet lying near He was in an unconscious condition. She set up an alarm and it was not long before a crowd gathered.

> long mustache. He carried a heavy stick which was hanging on his arm while he was taking the money from the drawer. One hand trembled as if he were afflicted with rheumatism. He was a stranger. Mr. Henderson keeps store on North Liberty street, near the over-

head bridge. He lives alone in the

and he was then released. liams is the negro who was tried for the murder of Doc Westfield, color-

clear. Mr. Henderson's skull is fractured in three places as a result of the blows inflicted by the robber. The

STARTLING FIGURES.

The Chicago Tribune on Wednesday morning in a summary of

Explosions and mine disasters, 3, Storms and floods 4,209 killed and

.563 injured.

and 704 injured. Firearms, 197 killed and 3,978 Among other deaths are 2,269 lost

Blind Tiger Whiskey.

There are a number of those young report seven negroes were badly men that I don't know by their ini- shot at a hot supper Thursday night Q. Were there any people around tials, but I have seen them out in given at the home of a negro, Press Q. You remember Paul Yancey or tion, eight miles below Greenwood. Q. He is a colored man? A. No to die. The others, though badly